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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I live in Cupertino, CA, home of Apple's headquarter, not some rural area. My home is actually less than 4 miles away from Apple's legendary new headquarter. But there is still only one broadband service company, Comcast, for me to "choose" from.

I used to live in Sunnyvale, CA, a city right next to Cupertino. I had been using a local fiber broadband provider, Paxio, that provided me superb service for more than 10 years, cheap and fast internet service with no data cap. Not that I would, but I could have switch my broadband service to Comcast or AT&T, if I was ever not happy with their service.

Now that I moved, I'm paying Comcast 80% more for a slower service *and* it has data cap. There are a lot of things that me and my family were able to do that we no longer able to. It limits the number of days I can work from home, forcing me to drive to the office. I'm spending less time with my family, causing pressure on traffic system that is already overloaded, creating unnecessary pollution. There are many other sacrifices me and my family have to make to adjust to this inferior but more expensive service. It will take many many more words for me to describe the quality of life me and my family are suffering and the pain that we are going through.

Without competition, what's the incentive for a service provider, Comcast in this case, to provide a better service for a lower price? Why is it possible for a broadband service provider (my previous service provider, Paxio) less than 10 miles away provide a better *and* cheaper service? There's only one word to that answer, competition.

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